

Appl. No. 09/989,091
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PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. New claims 2-20 have been added. The new claims are fully supported by the specification, and no new matter has been added.

Terminal Disclaimer

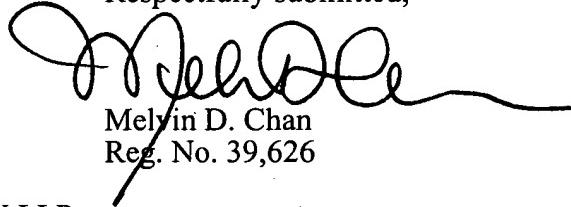
Applicants are submitting a terminal disclaimer in order to obviate the obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claim 1. All claims should now be in a form for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, applicants believe all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal notice of allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400, extension 5213.

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